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**AMENDMENT, 37 C.F.R. §1.115** 

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed January 5, 1999, please enter the following amendments and consider the following remarks. A Petition to Extend Time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) for three (3) months for responding to the outstanding Office Action, up to and including Monday July 5, 1999, is enclosed. Please charge the three month extension fee, as a large entity, to Deposit Account No. 13-2755. Please credit any overpayment or charge any fee deficiency to Deposit Account No. 13-2755.

A Declaration of co-inventors Qingyun Liu and Fang Chen under 37 C.F.R. §1.131 is entered in support of this Amendment. Please charge any fees associated with entry of this declaration to Deposit Account No. 13-2755.